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in their judgment be reasonable as compensation for witnesses and other necessary expenses of claimant. Such municipality shall, within three calendar months after the confirmation of the report of the commissioners of appraisal, pay to the respective owners and bodies politic or corporate, mentioned or referred to in said report, in whose favor any sum or sums of money shall be estimated and reported by said commissioners, the respective sum or sums so estimated and reported in their favor respectively, with lawful interest thereon. And in case of neglect or default in the payment of the same within the time aforesaid, the respective person or persons or bodies politic or corporate in whose favor the same shall be so reported, his, her, or their executors, administrators, or successors, at any time or times, after application first made by him, her, or them to such municipality for payment thereof, may sue for and recover the same, with lawful interest as aforesaid, and the costs of suit in any proper form of action against such municipality in any court having cognizance thereof, and it shall be sufficient to declare generally for so much money due to the plaintiff or plaintiffs therein by virtue of this act, and the report of said commissioners, with proof of the right and title of the plaintiff or plaintiffs to the sum or sums demanded shall be conclusive evidence in such suit or action.

Sewers—Construction of systems (an act adopted Apr. 8, 1912).

SEC. 230a. *Town board may direct construction of portions of sewer system; extension, notice of, petition.*—If in the petition for the establishment of a sewer district, or for an extension to an existing district, the petitioners shall pray that a portion or portions only of the system designed ultimately to serve the entire district, or an extension to the said district, shall be constructed in the first instance, and shall describe the said portion or portions in their said petition, and indicate the same on the said map and plan, and shall specify the maximum amount proposed to be expended in the construction of such portion or portions of the said system, the town board may include in its order establishing the said district or extension a direction that the sewer commissioners shall construct only the portion or portions of the said system designated in the said petition until extensions thereto shall be authorized as hereinafter provided. In case the town board shall make an order establishing the said district and containing the said direction, the provisions of this chapter shall be applicable thereto in all respects, except that the town board shall not issue bonds to provide for the cost of such portion or portions to an amount exceeding the amount mentioned in the said petition as the maximum amount proposed to be expended in the construction of such portion or portions. Thereafter extensions to the said system may, from time to time, be authorized by the town board upon the petition of the owners of real property within the area in said district to be served by any proposed extension or extensions to the said system, representing more than one-half in value of the taxable real property within such area, as appears by the last preceding completed assessment roll, which said petition shall comply in form, substance, and in the manner of execution, so far as applicable thereto, with the requirements of the petition for the establishment of a sewer district, and shall state the maximum amount proposed to be expended for such extension or extensions, and shall have indorsed thereon a written approval of a majority of the sewer commissioners of such district, and there shall be presented with the said petition a map prepared by a competent engineer, showing the area proposed to be served by any such proposed extension, and in case such proposed extension or extensions involve a change from the plans shown by the map and plan attached to the petition for the establishment of the said sewer district such petition shall be accompanied by a map and plan of such extension or extensions prepared in the same manner as the original map and plan, and approved by the State board of health.

Before acting upon a petition to extend the system in any district or extension thereof, the town board shall give notice of the time and place at which it will meet to act thereon, by posting at least 21 days before the day fixed for the said meeting a

notice thereof in at least four public places in the said district, and by publishing a notice thereof once in each of the three calendar weeks immediately preceding the week in which the said meeting is to be held in at least one newspaper published in the said town, if a newspaper is published therein. The cost to the petitioners of the maps, plans, specifications, and of the acknowledgments of the signatures to such petition may be made a part of the expense of constructing the said extension or extensions, as provided in section 230 of the town law with respect to the like expenditures of the original petitioners, and the maximum amount proposed to be expended in the construction of any such extension or extensions to the sewer system in any such district may be increased by the petition of the owners of real property in the area proposed to be served thereby representing more than one-half the taxable real property therein as appears by the last preceding completed assessment roll of said town, in the manner specified in section 230 of the town law for increasing the maximum amount proposed to be expended for the construction of the original system. In case said extension or extensions to the said sewer system in any such district shall be authorized by the town board of any such town, such extension or extensions shall thereafter, for all purposes, be regarded as part of the original system and shall be constructed and maintained by the sewer commissioners of the said district, and the cost of the construction thereof shall be provided for by the issue and sale of town bonds in the same manner as provided in section 237 of the town law for the payment of the cost of the original system, which said bonds shall be a town charge, and the principal and interest thereof, together with the cost of maintenance of such extension or extensions, shall be collected from the real property within the said district by the said sewer commissioners in the same manner as though said extension or extensions had formed a part of the original system constructed in the said district.

SEC. 231. *Action by town board.*—If the town board is satisfied that the petitioners are owners of real property in the proposed district or extension, and own more than one-half in value of the taxable real property therein, they shall make an order establishing such district, or extending the boundaries of an existing district, and if establishing a new district, appointing three taxpayers therein as sewer commissioners, who shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the town board. Such sewer commissioners shall each be paid for their services, at such times as the town board may designate in said order, an amount to be fixed by the town board, which amount shall not exceed $3 per day for each day actually and necessarily spent in the business of the sewer district and shall be deemed an expense of maintaining the sewer system and shall be collected and paid as provided in section 243 of this chapter for expense of maintenance.

SEC. 2. This act shall not affect any proceeding now pending under any sections of the town law amended by this act and begun in conformity to the requirements thereof as they existed prior to the taking effect of this act, and such proceedings may be conducted to completion with the same force and effect as if said sections had not been hereby amended.

Foodstuffs—Regulation of the cold storage of (regulations issued by the Commissioner of Health, revised Mar. 15, 1912).

1. For the purpose of enforcing this act the term "cold storage" will be held to mean the storage of foods at or below a temperature of 40° Fahrenheit in establishments employing refrigerating machinery or ice.

The terms "cold-storage warehouse or refrigerating warehouse" will be held to mean an establishment employing refrigerating machinery or ice for the purpose of refrigeration, in which foods are stored at a temperature of 40° Fahrenheit or below.

2. Articles of food intended for cold storage shall, when they are offered for or placed in storage, be inclosed in boxes, barrels, crates, or other packages sufficiently